



Rustburg United Methodist Church

IN HIS SERVICE – September 2025



GOD'S MORNING

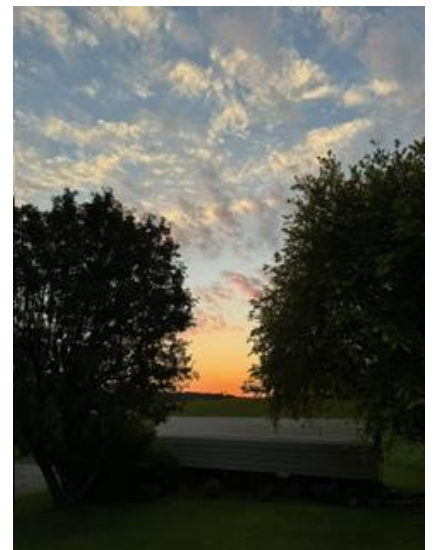
Photos by Lisa Bailey

*Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning
Born of the one light, Eden saw play
Praise with elation, praise every morning
God's recreation of the new day.*



GOD'S EVENING

Photos by Billy Arthur





"I love ❤️ our Community!" Volunteers abound! Neighbors served!
What a blessing to continue this ministry! THANK YOU for your support and service.

United Women in Faith

Please come and join us on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Small Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM. We typically have a meeting, a brief program led by one of the members, and light refreshments afterwards.

Next Date: September 10, 2025

Love in Christ;
Donna Cameron | President of UWF



PS: Please have your **Reading Reports** turned in to Lisa Cameron by Sunday, September 7th so that they can be submitted to the Mountain View District in time for reports. 2026 Reading Program Catalog will arrive this Fall.



Virginia UWF Conference Mission Project Hats, Scarves, and Gloves for Ukraine

Trinity UMC in Richmond, VA is collecting handmade hats, scarves, and gloves in royal blue and yellow for Ukraine. There are no specific designs of patterns: just items that will keep children, youth and adults warm this winter. All items will be blessed and sent on their way on November 1st. Spring of Life UMC in Kiev will distribute them as Christmas gifts and any leftover will be distributed by a gentleman who provides refurbished ambulances for the communities there. Have fun and create JOY!

Any questions may be sent to [Phyllis Geoghegan](#), Social Action Coordinator for the VA Conference.

RUMC BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON

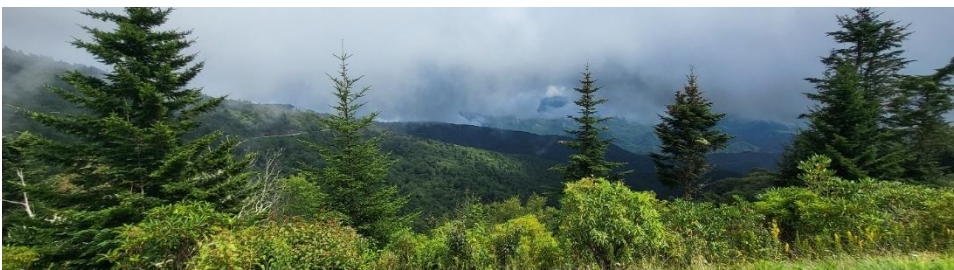
September 21, 2025 | 12 PM

Join us, following Worship, for a Fried Chicken and Covered Dish Lunch. All are invited!



Lisa Cameron's Trip to Western North Carolina August 16 – August 31

Every few years I visit my former college roommate and her family in Western NC. This year included trips to Waterrock Knob off the Blue Ridge Parkway (long picture, upper left) and Kuwohi (formerly Clingmans Dome, lower right) in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. It was a unique time for the Great Smokies. The road through the park is closed due to erosion issues and easy access to the TN side of the park is cut off. Kuwohi, on the NC side, would normally receive 20,000+ visitors-a-day on a holiday weekend; it was approximately a tenth of that while we there. It made for a singular experience, but hopefully the road will be repaired safely, ASAP, for locals and visitors!





Thinking of You

Magnolia Ladies

card making with Annette

When: Saturday September 27th *10 a.m.— Noon

Where: RUMC Small Fellowship Hall

R.S.V.P. by Sunday September 21st to Kelly Gladden 434-258-6409

***If more than 12 R.S.V.P. there will be a second class from noon-2 p.m.**

We will be making 2 cards (same), one for yourself and one to send to a shut in or Grace Inside Ministries.

When you R.S.V.P. please note if you would like to make Christmas cards or a more generic Birthday/Thinking of You card. This will help Annette with supplies and preparation.

Annette is donating her time and supplies for this event. If you would like to make a donation they will go to Grace Inside Ministries. You can learn more about them here: [Home](#) | [GraceInside](#)

Magnolia Ladies

Save the dates

October 18th: Please consider volunteering to help with the Fall Festival. Help is always needed and appreciated!



November 14th: Friendsgiving Charcuterie Style

R.S.V.P. by Sunday November 9th to: Kelly Gladden 434-258-6409

FRIENDSGIVING

December 6th: Christmas Cookie Exchange 11 a.m.

R.S.V.P. by Sunday November 30th

Kelly Gladden's House

Make 5 Dozen Cookies to share.

Games & Prizes





RUMC Building Projects

Dear Church,

The **Upstairs HVAC Project** electrical work is completed! Here are the current numbers from Treasurer Annette Patrick:

Building Projects Funds To Date:

Gifts, Grants, & Interest \$56,806.04

Upstairs HVAC -19,895.00 (completed)

Drainage Project \$36,911.04 (on hand)

Please consider attending the **Building Use & Planning** meeting Tues. Sept 16th at 7 PM for input and updates on the **Upstairs** and **Grounds Projects**.

Many thanks to all contributors,
Lisa Cameron, Communications



Blessing - of the - ANIMALS



Service at RUMC

What is a 'Blessing of the Animals'?

A Blessing of Animals, in many congregations, witnesses to God's and the church's love, care, and concern for creation. As we recognize our mutual interdependence with God's creatures, the church's witness of stewardship of creation is strengthened.

The service itself is short: perhaps under 20 minutes. Please bring your pet(s) on a leash or in their carrier. 🐕 🐱



If your furry or feathered or finned friend is shy of crowds then feel free to bring a picture or your memory. This is a service for the animals as much as for the humans – we want the animals to be safe and comfortable – so please don't bring Fluffy if you know she'll be stressed. God's eye is on the sparrow (Matthew 10:31): He will know the animals we pray for. 🐱 🐶

– Open to All –

**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 4th
11 AM**

**RUMC
PAVILION**

(beside Sanctuary,
opposite side of parking
lot)

Rustburg UMC
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Rustburg, VA 24588
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Rustburg United
Methodist Church

HUNTERS FOR THE HUNGRY

September Mission & Noisy Offering

What is Hunters for the Hungry?

“The donated venison our program is able to provide is a blessing to the feeding programs we serve throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia.

It is requested by many who rely upon assistance from these agencies and is a precious gift for men, women, children and families who struggle with hunger!”



Distribution of Venison, 1991-2025

- 8,147,489 pounds
- 32.6 million servings

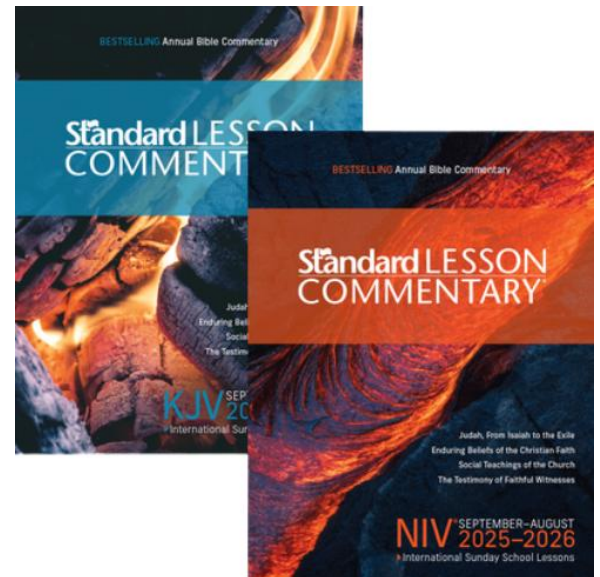
Bible Study

Led By: Reverend C.R. Brooks

12 Noon & 6:00 PM

Wednesdays: September 10, 17, 24

We will be using the Standard Lesson Commentary this fall for Wednesday 12 and 6 PM Bible study. You can choose either the NIV or King James translation. Regular print books can be found at Mardel's for \$14.99 (+ S&H). [Deluxe/Large Print editions can also be found on Amazon for around \$23 (w/ free S&H for Prime members).] Bible study resumes on Sept 10th. We will have a noon day study, especially for those who don't drive at night, and continue the 6 PM study in the evening.



District and Church Miscellany

New Phone Number for Mountain View District: 804-514-9482.

Keep an eye out for Offering and Acolyte Training Date(s) coming up.

The handbells will ring this month on Sunday, September 28th.

Consider sending in a pet picture for next month's Newsletter.

Pst! October is Pastor Appreciation Month.



FALL RECIPES

Submitted by Alice Watson

Crockpot Pizza Casserole

🍴 4 servings - 1 Lean, 3 Greens, and 3 Condiments per serving



INGREDIENTS

- 1 lb uncooked 95 to 97% lean ground beef ~ 12 oz cooked (2 Leaners)
- 1 tsp garlic powder (2 Condiments)
- 3/4 tsp salt (3 Condiments)
- 1/4 tsp black pepper (1/2 Condiment)
- 1 tsp dried oregano leaves (1 Condiment)
- 1 tsp dried basil leaves (1/2 Condiment)
- 1/4 cup fresh grated parmesan cheese (4 Condiments)
- 2 cups (7.04 oz) roughly chopped fresh cauliflower (4 Greens)
- 2 cups low carb marinara sauce (8 Greens) Rao's marinara sauce
- 1 and 1/2 cups reduced fat shredded mozzarella cheese (1 1/2 Leans)
- 2.5 oz turkey pepperoni slices, divided (1/2 Lean)

DIRECTIONS

1. Over medium high heat, cook ground beef in a large skillet. Add garlic powder, salt, and pepper. Drain grease. Remove from heat.
2. Add dried oregano, dried basil, cauliflower, parmesan cheese, marinara sauce and 1 oz of turkey pepperoni that has been cut into fourths to the ground beef until combined. Pour into a slow cooker that has been sprayed lightly with cooking spray.
3. Cook on LOW for 4 to 6 hours.
4. Top with mozzarella cheese and additional 1 ounce of turkey pepperoni. Cook for an additional 30 min on HIGH or until cheese has melted.

Submitted by Pam Booth

Something new in the pan - Aldi's ROOT VEGETABLE mix (potatoes, sweet potatoes, red onions and carrots) and added collard greens where plants were thinned.



OCTOBER 18, 2025 | 12 PM

RUMC MEN'S GROUP STEW & BBQ

SEPTEMBER

Tues. 09/02 **Missions Committee, 6 PM**
Worship Committee, 6:30 PM
 Wed. 09/03 **Staff Meeting, 5:30 PM**
 Thurs. 09/04 **Handbells, 6 PM**
Choir, 7 PM
 Sun. 09/07 **Communion**
 Wed. 09/10 **United Women in Faith, 10 AM**
Finance Committee Meeting, 5 PM
Bible Study w/ Rev. Brooks, 12 Noon & 6 PM
 Sat. 09/13 **Food Pantry, 9:30-11 AM**
 Sun. 09/14 **Men's Breakfast, 8:30 AM**
Administrative Board, following Worship
 Tues. 09/16 **Education Meeting, 6 PM**
Building Use & Planning, 7 PM
 Sun. 09/21 **Birthday Luncheon, following Worship**
 Tues. 09/23 **Nominations Meeting, 7 PM**
 Wed. 09/24 **Deadline for October Newsletter**
 Sat. 09/27 **Magnolia Ladies: Card Making with Annette, 10 AM-Noon**
 Sun. 09/28 **Noisy Offering/Missions Moment: Hunters for the Hungry**
Children's Mission Moment: Pam Booth



Wed. September 10,17,24: **Bible Study w/ Rev. Brooks, 12 Noon & 6 PM**
 Thurs. September 4,11,18,25: **Handbell Rehearsals, 6 PM**
Choir Rehearsals, 7 PM



A view from the Appalachian Trail, near Kuwohi, the highest peak in TN and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

AUGUST RUMC OFFERINGS

General Offering	\$9,288.00
Rent	\$8,906.57*
Budget	\$17,329.50
Over	\$865.07
Drainage Project	\$125.00
Other Restricted	\$1,156.64
Total	\$19,476.21

* July & August + utilities

Heartfelt THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

2025 Ushers

September: Jerry Booth & Marvin Tweedy

October: Jimmy Cyrus & Donnie Hamlett

November: Robert Bailey & Jimmy Jewell

December: Michael Metcalf & Ricky Pillow

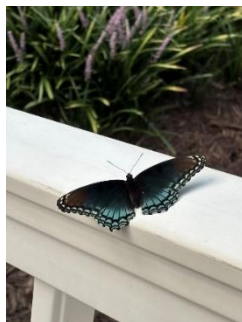
September Greeters

07 Sue Buchanan

14 Justine and Lee Merryman

21 Wanda Coates

28 Mae Drinkard



RUMC Contact Info:

Acolytes: Cheryl Martin

Care & Share: Shirley Phillips

Children's Church: Shannon Hall

Greeters: Betty Cyrus

Nursery: Mary Bailey

Ushers: Jerry Booth



06 Olivia Watson

07 Frances Wiley

13 Dennis Cowart

14 Marvin Tweedy

15 Racheal Bishoff

21 Jacob Watson

27 Ed Watson



08, 1964 Jimmy & Betty Cyrus

18 Billy & Marie Arthur

25 Michael & Donna Metcalf

Church Closers for September:

Bernice Dooley

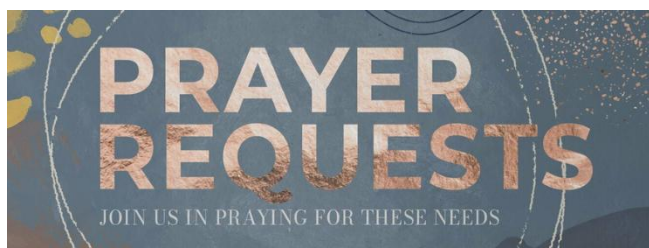
August Sunday School

Donna & Sarah Hamlett

Alice Watson

David Hawkins

Pam Booth



Prayer Requests:

Family of Rev Jim Galford, Sheila Galford, John Wyatt Newcomb, Family of Sandy Nolley, Family of Marvin Ledbetter, Family of Walter Carwile, Family of Shirley Hiser, Melvin Coates, Cindy and Danny Torrence, Danny DeJarnette,

Bill Torrence, Mason "Bo" Clark, Kathleen (Jon) Bagby, Pastor Sung and family, Jackie Robinson (church custodian) has asked for prayers for her sister. Susan Cascone (Sharon Nolley), Buster Frazier, Mary and Daughter Judy, Atha Bailey, Helen Booth, Pam and Dennis Cowart, Kenneth Grubbs, Joyce Rush, Jill & Greg Coleman, Marguerite Eimer, Betty McClung, May Nolley, Tammy Fielder, Frank Merryman, Mary Alice Preston, Tina Shaver, Marsha Henderson, and Bangladeshi families.



Fall FESTIVAL

GREAT SHOPPING & GOOD FOOD.

18 OCTOBER, 2025

9 AM - 2 PM

CRAFTERS, FLEA MARKET, BBQ,
STEW, BASKET RAFFLE & MORE!

664 Village HWY, Rustburg, VA 24588

 Fall Festival Rustburg UMC





Back to School




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crayons	grades	Math	school	teacher
desk	Health	Music	scissors	writing





"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on
your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge
Him, And He shall direct your paths."

Proverbs 3:5-6

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Lay Leadership Team: Pam Booth, Ben Coates, Annette Patrick
Music Director: Alice Watson
Administrative Assistant: Cheryl Martin
Communications Coordinator: Lisa Cameron

Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for
the transformation of the world.

Our Vision: To be disciples of Jesus Christ who are
lifelong learners who influence others to serve.

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